

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
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Governor J. Strom Thurmond announced today that he has appointed Miss Mary Risher, of Bamberg, to serve as "Miss South Carolina" at the Azalea Festival to be held in Charleston April 16-22.

Miss Risher is 20 years old, and a member of the senior class at Columbia College. She is the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. James F. Risher, of Bamberg.

Recently voted by classmates as one of the 10 outstanding seniors and also as the senior "most likely to succeed," Miss Risher is president of the Columbia College student body, and is a member of the Student Christian Association, Alpha Kappa Gamma, honorary leadership fraternity, and many other campus organizations. She was recently chosen to appear in the 1949-50 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges," a selection based on scholarship, leadership, participation in educational and extra-curricular activities, citizenship, service, and promise of future usefulness.

Miss Risher will be graduated in May with a degree of B. S. in Music, and is majoring in piano. She was recently presented by her piano teacher, Miss Margarette Richards, in a Senior Piano Recital in the College Auditorium.

Governor Thurmond has also announced the appointment of the following to serve as attendants for Miss Risher on the South Carolina float in the Azalea Festival parades:

Miss Virginia Bruorton, daughter of Mrs. H. B. Bruorton, and the late Sheriff H. B. Bruorton, Georgetown, S. C.

Miss Frances King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. King, McColl, S. C.

Miss Marion Kelly, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Kelly, Columbia, S. C.

Miss Joyce Flynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Flynn, Spartanburg, S. C.

Miss Patricia Ann Price, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Price, West Columbia, S. C.

Miss Beth McMillan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. K. McMillan, Mullins, S. C.

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J. Strom Thurmond  
Governor